

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ___

1	Introd	luced	by:	Baird	, Heato	n, M	orris	on

A HOUSE RESOLUTION recognizing Jackson Township Elementary School for being named a National Blue Ribbon School.

Whereas, Jackson Township Elementary School in Brazil has been named a 2014 National Blue Ribbon School by the United States Department of Education;

Whereas, Jackson Township Elementary received Indiana's highest commendation as a Four-Star School in 2012 and 2013.

Whereas, Recognized as one of the most outstanding schools in Indiana, at least 95 percent of Jackson Township's students excelled in language arts and mathematics in the ISTEP+ and, for the last five years, the school has received an

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"A" rating from the Indiana Department of Education and has met Adequate Yearly Progress expectations since its inception;

Whereas, Each year since 1982, the United States Department of Education has honored over 200 of America's finest public and private elementary schools;

Whereas, The Blue Ribbon School Award gives national recognition to a diverse group of public and private schools that are unusually effective in meeting local, state, and national goals and in educating their students;

Whereas, The program is made up of the Elementary School Recognition Program and the Secondary School Recognition Program, recognizing elementary and secondary schools in alternate years;

Whereas, The Blue Ribbon School Award recognizes excellence in leadership, teaching and student environment, curriculum and instruction, parent and community support, and organizational vitality;

Whereas, Jackson Township Elementary School is one of America's finest public schools;

Whereas, Jackson Township Elementary School is an outstanding elementary school that has repeatedly demonstrated clear vision, shared sense of mission, up-to-date curriculum, strong family involvement, and commitment to high standards; and

Whereas, Jackson Township Elementary School was only one of nine schools in Indiana to be honored as a National Blue Ribbon School for 2014: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives 2 congratulates the faculty, administration, staff, and families of Jackson
- 3 Township Elementary School for the school's selection as a 2014
- 4 National Blue Ribbon School by the United States Department of
- 5 Education.

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SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Brad Ennen, principal of Jackson Township Elementary School, and Jeff Fritz, former principal of Jackson Township Elementary School.

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